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## Highlights

Honey producing colonies in Mississippi yielded a record high 104 pounds of honey per colony in 2009.

The wage rate for all hired workers in the Delta region of the United States during the January 10-16, 2010 period averaged \$9.85 per hour, up 19 cents from the same period a year ago.

Coahoma County was the top wheat producing County in Mississippi during 2009, with a production of 1,012,000 bushels.

Honey: Number of Colonies, Yield, Production, Stocks and Value,  
by Selected States and United States, 2008-2009 <sup>1</sup>

State	Honey Producing Colonies <sup>2</sup>	Yield Per Colony	Production	Stocks December 15 <sup>3</sup>	Average Price Per Pound <sup>4</sup>	Value of Production <sup>5</sup>
	1,000	Pounds	1,000 Pounds		Cents	1,000 Dollars
<b>2009</b>						
Alabama	9	49	441	66	182	803
Arkansas	24	57	1,368	301	139	1,902
Louisiana	37	103	3,811	610	132	5,031
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>1,456</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1,922</b>
Tennessee	7	51	357	86	235	839
United States	2,462	58.5	144,108	37,153	144.5	208,236
<b>2008</b>						
Alabama	9	66	594	214	190	1,129
Arkansas	28	75	2,100	525	135	2,835
Louisiana	40	77	3,080	493	136	4,189
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>1,372</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>1,784</b>
Tennessee	7	61	427	149	209	892
United States	2,342	69.9	163,789	51,159	142.1	232,744

<sup>1</sup> For producers with 5 or more colonies. Colonies that produced honey in more than one State were counted in each State.

<sup>2</sup> Honey producing colonies are the maximum number of colonies from which honey was taken during the year. It is possible to take honey from colonies which did not survive the entire year.

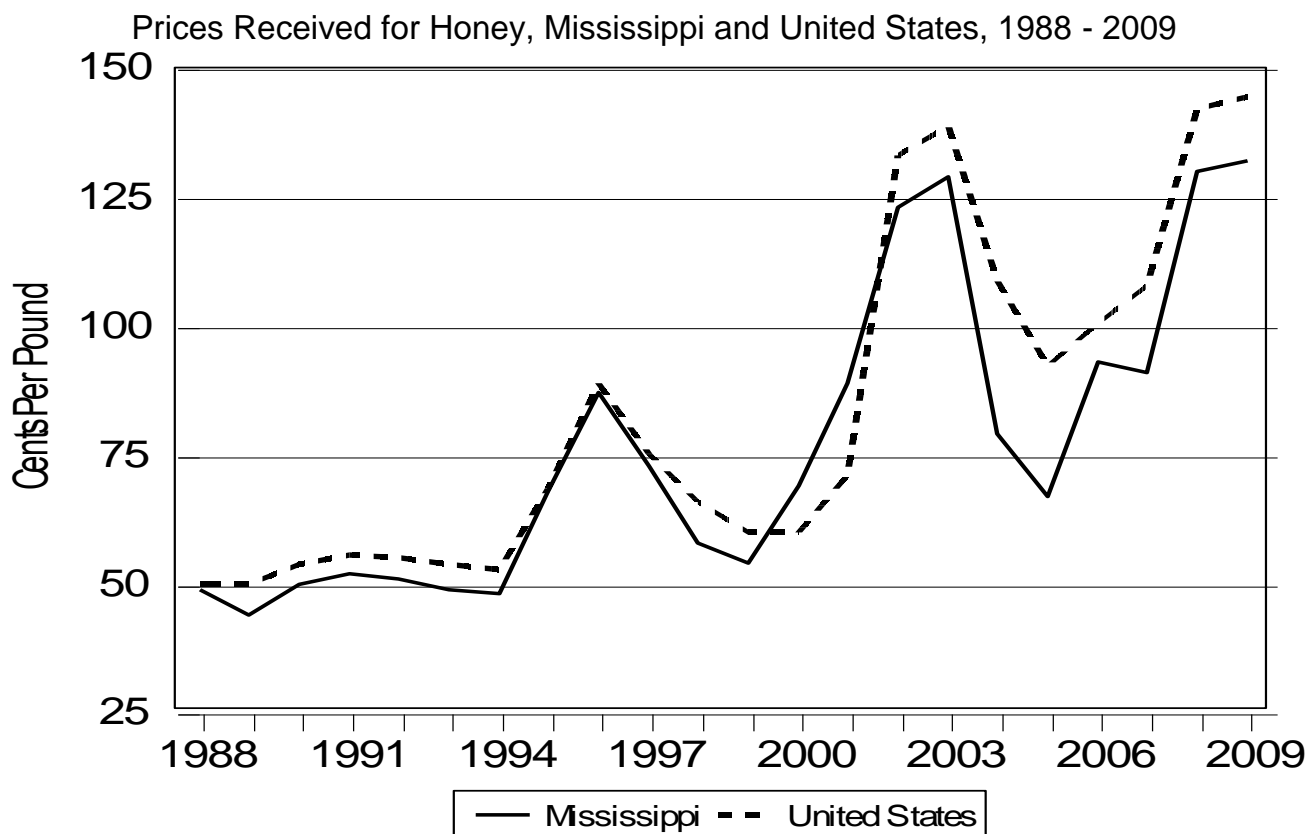
<sup>3</sup> Stocks held by producers.

<sup>4</sup> Average price per pound based on expanded sales.

<sup>5</sup> Value of production is equal to production multiplied by average price per pound.

## Honey: Price by Color Class, United States, 2008-2009

State	Co-op and Private		Retail		All	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
Cents Per Pound						
Water White						
Extra White, White	138.9	140.8	195.0	272.1	141.2	142.3
Extra Light, Amber	135.2	141.7	209.7	242.4	140.7	146.1
Light Amber, Amber, Dark Amber	127.4	133.6	240.5	275.6	142.0	144.6
All Other Honey, Areas Specialties	143.3	138.5	326.8	394.8	205.9	217.8
All Honey	135.4	139.2	224.7	278.4	142.1	144.5



**Farm Labor: Hired and Wage Rates, United States,  
January 10-16, 2010, with Comparisons <sup>1</sup>**

Farm Employment	January 11-17, 2009	October 11-17, 2009	January 10-16, 2010
	1,000		
Hired Workers	595	807	587
150 Days or More	497	585	501
149 Days or Less	98	222	86
Agricultural Services			
Workers Working on Farms	190	285	180
Hired Farm & Service Workers	785	1,092	767
	Hours per Week		
Hours Worked			
Hired	38.3	39.0	37.3
	Dollars per Hour		
Wage Rate for			
All Hired Workers <sup>1 2</sup>	10.93	10.91	11.06
Type of Worker			
Field & Livestock Combined	10.08	10.24	10.19
Field	9.96	10.25	10.14
Livestock	10.27	10.23	10.26

<sup>1</sup> Benefits, such as housing and meals, are provided some workers but the values are not included in the wage rates.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes Agricultural Service Workers.

**Hired Workers: Wage Rates for Type of Workers and All Hired Workers,  
by Selected Regions and United States, January 11-17, 2009, and January 10-16, 2010 <sup>1</sup>**

United States and Region	Type of Worker						Wage Rates for All Hired Workers	
	Field		Livestock		Field & Livestock Combined			
	Jan 11-17, 2009	Jan 10-16, 2010	Jan 11-17, 2009	Jan 10-16, 2010	Jan 11-17, 2009	Jan 10-16, 2010	Jan 11-17, 2009	Jan 10-16, 2010
	Dollars per Hour							
Northeast II	10.80	11.57	9.69	9.63	10.30	10.82	11.40	12.00
Appalachian I	10.08	9.09	9.91	9.14	10.00	9.11	10.80	10.24
Appalachian II	8.92	9.36	10.52	10.11	9.80	9.84	10.99	11.10
Southeast	9.65	9.01	9.65	8.74	9.65	8.91	10.05	9.40
Florida	8.95	9.60	9.45	10.35	9.00	9.70	10.16	10.84
Cornbelt I	11.85	11.81	10.85	10.35	11.30	11.00	11.90	11.95
<b>Delta</b>	<b>9.43</b>	<b>8.86</b>	<b>9.83</b>	<b>9.35</b>	<b>9.55</b>	<b>9.05</b>	<b>10.04</b>	<b>9.85</b>
Southern Plains	10.06	9.01	10.24	10.21	10.15	9.66	10.70	10.00
Pacific	10.35	9.77	9.48	10.55	10.25	9.95	11.40	11.05
California	9.80	10.50	10.95	11.05	10.09	10.64	11.15	11.68
Hawaii	10.70	11.70	13.50	13.60	10.93	11.82	12.69	14.14
United States <sup>1</sup>	9.96	10.14	10.27	10.26	10.08	10.19	10.93	11.06

<sup>1</sup> Excludes Alaska.

Region: Northeast II – DE, MD, NJ, PA; Appalachian I – NC, VA; Appalachian II – KY, TN, WV; Southeast – AL, GA, SC; Corn Belt I – IL, IN, OH; Delta – AR, LA, MS; Southern Plains – OK, TX; Pacific – OR, WA.

## Peanuts: Price Per Pound and Value of Production, by State and United States, 2007-2009

State	Price Per Pound			Value of Production		
	2007	2008	2009 <sup>1</sup>	2007	2008	2009 <sup>1</sup>
	Dollars			1,000 Dollars		
Alabama	0.191	0.225	0.222	76,467	151,988	104,606
Florida	0.186	0.221	0.207	59,762	99,008	69,552
Georgia	0.200	0.225	0.219	324,480	524,025	390,400
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>0.185</b>	<b>0.222</b>	<b>0.200</b>	<b>10,989</b>	<b>18,182</b>	<b>10,800</b>
New Mexico	0.200	0.242	0.328	6,400	6,195	7,118
North Carolina	0.210	0.254	0.274	54,810	91,161	66,911
Oklahoma	0.240	0.255	0.205	13,872	16,065	8,795
South Carolina	0.222	0.249	0.242	38,539	66,035	36,010
Texas	0.235	0.240	0.239	162,597	200,376	129,658
Virginia	0.204	0.256	0.255	10,710	20,582	11,322
United States	0.205	0.230	0.230	758,626	1,193,617	835,172

<sup>1</sup> Based on marketings and monthly prices received from August 1, 2009-December 31, 2009.

## Soybeans: Price Per Bushel and Value of Production, by Selected States and United States, 2007-2009

State	Price Per Bushel			Value of Production		
	2007	2008	2009	2007	2008	2009
	Dollars			1,000 Dollars		
Alabama	11.40	10.30	10.40	44,289	126,175	178,880
Florida	8.90	8.50	9.50	2,563	9,367	12,274
Georgia	11.90	9.50	9.50	101,745	122,218	153,900
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>8.36</b>	<b>9.29</b>	<b>9.15</b>	<b>487,555</b>	<b>728,336</b>	<b>705,831</b>
Missouri	10.10	9.74	9.40	1,768,763	1,861,704	2,167,170
North Carolina	10.10	9.33	9.50	306,636	514,176	571,710
Oklahoma	10.00	9.10	9.35	46,800	81,900	113,042
South Carolina	10.90	9.00	9.75	88,726	152,640	138,938
Texas	10.40	9.25	9.25	35,880	46,463	43,938
Virginia	11.40	9.10	9.60	156,750	165,984	207,936
United States	10.10	9.97	9.45	26,974,406	29,458,225	31,760,452

## Rice: Price Per Cwt and Value of Production, by State and United States, 2007-2009

State	Price Per Cwt			Value of Production		
	2007	2008	2009	2007	2008	2009
	Dollars			1,000 Dollars		
Arkansas	12.10	15.00	13.40	1,159,349	1,394,070	1,338,982
California	16.20	27.50	18.60	707,681	1,183,325	889,154
Louisiana	12.70	15.40	12.60	294,919	416,370	368,134
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>12.60</b>	<b>15.40</b>	<b>12.80</b>	<b>175,039</b>	<b>241,580</b>	<b>208,397</b>
Missouri	11.90	13.80	13.10	146,120	181,787	175,841
Texas	12.40	15.70	12.50	117,763	186,328	165,013
United States	12.80	16.80	14.30	2,600,871	3,603,460	3,145,521

## Mississippi Wheat County Estimates, 2008-2009

County	Planted		Harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	Acres				Bushels			
Bolivar	59,500	15,200	57,000	15,000	64.0	49.5	3,648,000	742,500
Coahoma	53,500	18,500	51,600	18,400	69.0	55.0	3,560,400	1,012,000
Quitman	27,600	8,000	25,900	7,200	59.0	48.5	1,528,100	349,200
Tallahatchie	27,000	9,800	25,800	9,600	67.0	49.0	1,728,600	470,400
Tunica	40,000	13,400	38,700	13,100	57.0	55.0	2,205,900	720,500
District 10	208,000	64,900	199,000	63,300	63.5	52.0	12,671,000	3,294,600
Calhoun	1,800	---	1,500	---	65.0	---	97,500	---
DeSoto	15,000	6,000	14,100	5,900	56.0	47.0	789,600	277,300
Marshall	---	3,000	---	2,600	---	45.0	---	117,000
Panola	25,900	9,900	25,300	9,200	63.0	50.0	1,593,900	460,000
Tate	8,200	3,200	7,500	3,000	61.0	42.0	457,500	126,000
Yalobusha	2,000	---	1,900	---	65.0	---	123,500	---
Other Counties	10,100	3,500	9,200	2,700	52.5	50.5	482,900	136,900
District 20	63,000	25,600	59,500	23,400	59.5	47.5	3,544,900	1,117,200
Lee	3,600	2,000	3,200	1,600	48.0	35.0	153,600	56,000
Pontotoc	---	1,000	---	850	---	30.0	---	25,500
Prentiss	2,100	1,400	1,800	1,300	54.0	43.0	97,200	55,900
Tippah	---	600	---	400	---	42.0	---	16,800
Other Counties	6,800	3,300	4,800	2,850	52.5	40.0	251,000	114,300
District 30	12,500	8,300	9,800	7,000	51.0	38.5	501,800	268,500
Humphreys	15,300	4,500	14,400	4,200	63.0	54.0	907,200	226,800
Issaquena	4,800	---	4,700	---	61.0	---	286,700	---
Leflore	19,300	3,700	18,300	3,500	67.0	47.0	1,226,100	164,500
Sharkey	12,200	---	11,900	---	65.0	---	773,500	---
Sunflower	50,400	9,100	48,400	8,800	60.0	45.5	2,904,000	400,400
Washington	49,400	15,500	44,300	15,300	64.0	55.0	2,835,200	841,500
Yazoo	14,600	5,100	12,500	3,700	66.0	55.0	825,000	203,500
Other Counties		5,900		5,500		51.5		283,500
District 40	166,000	43,800	154,500	41,000	63.0	51.5	9,757,700	2,120,200
Carroll	6,200	---	5,900	---	71.0	---	418,900	---
Madison	6,100	3,000	5,900	2,800	51.0	55.5	300,900	155,400
Rankin	2,200	---	2,100	---	54.0	---	113,400	---
Other Counties	11,600	9,900	11,000	9,000	59.5	45.0	655,800	407,200
District 50	26,100	12,900	24,900	11,800	60.0	47.5	1,489,000	562,600
Monroe	5,500	2,900	4,800	2,500	61.0	52.0	292,800	130,000
Other Counties	15,000	4,900	13,200	3,700	68.0	47.0	898,200	173,700
District 60	20,500	7,800	18,000	6,200	66.0	49.0	1,191,000	303,700
Warren		3,300		2,800		49.0		137,200
Other Counties		5,800		4,600		51.5		236,200
District 70	15,900	9,100	11,700	7,400	47.0	50.5	550,800	373,400
Covington	1,000		1,000		45.0		45,000	
Other Counties	4,100		3,800		46.0		174,900	
District 80	5,100	<sup>1</sup>	4,800	<sup>1</sup>	46.0	<sup>1</sup>	219,900	<sup>1</sup>
District 90	2,900	<sup>1</sup>	2,800	<sup>1</sup>	51.5	<sup>1</sup>	143,900	<sup>1</sup>
Other Districts		7,600		4,900		43.0		209,800
State Total	520,000	180,000	485,000	165,000	62.0	50.0	30,070,000	8,250,000

--- Included in Other Counties.

<sup>1</sup> Included in Other Districts.

**Cotton: Price Per Pound and Value of Production,  
by Type, State, and United States, 2007-2009**

Type and State	Price per Pound			Value of Production <sup>1</sup>		
	2007	2008	2009 <sup>2</sup>	2007	2008	2009
	Dollars			1,000 Dollars		
Upland Cotton						
Alabama	0.597	0.449	0.644	119,209	101,079	111,283
Arizona	0.596	0.585	0.657	147,045	113,724	138,758
Arkansas	0.578	0.479	0.610	526,026	297,976	243,024
California	0.722	0.594	0.715	225,264	104,639	85,800
Florida	0.580	0.504	0.663	32,294	29,998	33,415
Georgia	0.596	0.514	0.652	474,893	394,752	569,587
Kansas	0.610	0.417	0.647	16,748	6,805	15,839
Louisiana	0.570	0.524	0.618	191,246	70,677	100,858
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>0.576</b>	<b>0.481</b>	<b>0.619</b>	<b>364,401</b>	<b>157,691</b>	<b>126,276</b>
Missouri	0.574	0.470	0.574	210,497	157,469	143,270
New Mexico	0.599	0.490	0.630	25,589	16,699	15,120
North Carolina	0.558	0.462	0.558	209,719	167,429	203,558
Oklahoma	0.610	0.415	0.650	82,277	52,190	102,960
South Carolina	0.580	0.490	0.570	44,544	57,859	54,720
Tennessee	0.556	0.498	0.634	160,128	126,691	152,160
Texas	0.604	0.438	0.592	2,391,840	935,568	1,392,384
Virginia	0.557	0.470	0.540	27,244	25,606	33,696
United States	0.593	0.478	0.605	5,248,964	2,816,852	3,522,708

<sup>1</sup> Value based on 480-net weight bale.

<sup>2</sup> Based on marketings and monthly prices received from August 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009.

**Catfish Feed: Tons Delivered for Foodsize Fish,  
Mississippi and United States, 2009-2010**

Month	Mississippi		Percent of Previous Year	United States		Percent of Previous Year
	2009	2010		2009	2010	
	Tons		Percent	Tons		Percent
January	782	224	29	4,455	1,433	32
February	2,147			7,034		
March	6,336			18,927		
April	12,628			31,621		
May <sup>1</sup>	26,165			57,466		
June <sup>1</sup>	45,116			93,123		
July	49,001			104,060		
August	53,148			107,840		
September	41,091			82,125		
October	17,762			38,828		
November	7,523			21,280		
December	222			3,221		

<sup>1</sup> Revised 2009 data only for U.S.

## United States Catfish: Average Prices and Ending Inventory, January 2009-2010

Item	Sales Volume		Average Price <sup>1</sup>		Ending Inventory	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	1,000 Pounds		Dollars Per Pound		1,000 Pounds	
Fresh						
Whole Fish	2,537	2,677	1.72	1.52	191	193
Fillets	3,795	3,419	3.30	3.15	545	616
Other	709	638	1.64	1.65	103	86
Total Fresh	7,041	6,734	2.57	2.36	839	895
Frozen						
Whole Fish	704	652	2.26	2.22	724	884
Fillets	7,668	7,264	3.01	2.90	10,084	9,654
Other	3,849	4,013	1.83	1.79	2,296	2,533
Total Frozen	12,221	11,929	2.60	2.49	13,104	13,071
Total Fresh & Frozen	19,262	18,663	2.58	2.44	13,943	13,966

<sup>1</sup> Gross value f.o.b. plant.

## United States Farm-Raised Catfish: Quantity Processed and Prices Received by Producers, United States, 2009-2010

Month	Round Weight Processed				Price Per Pound <sup>1</sup>	
	Monthly		Cumulative		2009	2010
	2009	2010	2009	2010		
1,000 Pounds				Dollars		
January	36,406	38,502	36,406	38,502	.810	0.762
February	37,702		74,108		.770	
March	44,912		119,020		.773	
April	40,768		159,788		.763	
May	39,925		199,713		.762	
June	39,370		239,083		.763	
July	40,966		280,049		.771	
August	39,490		319,539		.769	
September	36,408		355,947		.772	
October	40,191		396,138		.768	
November	36,211		432,349		.765	
December	33,751		466,100		.763	

<sup>1</sup> Quantity processed by major processors and the prices received for fish delivered to the processing plant's door. Price includes charges for any services provided by the processing plant, such as seining and hauling, but does not include adjustments based on year-end settlements.

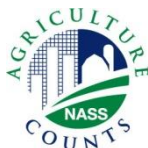
## Mississippi and United States Price Highlights, February 2010 with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	February 2009 Entire Month		January 2010 Entire Month		February 2010 Mid Month	
		MS	US	MS	US	MS	US
Dollars							
Corn	bu	---	3.87	---	3.66	---	3.45
Cotton, Upland	lb	.484	.412	.620	.606	.607 <sup>1</sup>	.617 <sup>1</sup>
Sorghum, grain	cwt	---	5.04	---	5.84	---	5.42
Soybeans	bu	9.55	9.54	9.52	9.79	8.80	9.40
Winter Wheat	bu	---	5.26	---	4.68	---	4.36
Rice, All	cwt	---	16.00	---	14.40	---	14.50
All Milk	cwt	---	11.60	---	16.10	---	15.90
Fluid	cwt	---	11.60	---	16.10	---	15.90
Manufacturing	cwt	---	10.50	---	15.50	---	15.80
All Beef Cattle	cwt	---	78.90	---	82.10	---	84.40
Cows	cwt	---	43.60	---	47.90	---	50.50
Calves	cwt	---	104.00	---	109.00	---	111.00
Steers & Heifers	cwt	---	83.80	---	87.50	---	89.40
All Hogs	cwt	---	43.80	---	48.40	---	48.10
Barrows & Gilts	cwt	---	43.80	---	48.90	---	48.20
Sows	cwt	---	43.30	---	38.50	---	45.30
Broilers, Live	lb	---	.470	---	.480	---	.470
Market Eggs	doz	.620 <sup>2</sup>	.639 <sup>2</sup>	---	.905 <sup>2</sup>	---	.775

--- Estimates not made.

<sup>1</sup> Based on sales during the first half of the month.<sup>2</sup> Mid-month.

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